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TO AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

USMISSION GENEVA

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E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS:MOPS, LA

SUBJECT: ICRC AND PW/MIA'S IN LAOS

REF: VIENTIANE 6779, STATE 193325 (NOTAL)

1. IN ADDITION TO ICC, WE WOULD ALSO CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE FOR ICRC TO OBSERVE FORTHCOMING POW RELEASES IN LAOS. FROM REF A WE NOTE JCCIA HAS INVITED ICRC TO DO THIS BUT HAS HAD NO REPLY THUS FAR.

2. IN THIS REGARD, WE UNDERSTAND ICRC GENERAL DELEGATE FOR ASIA JEAN OTT IS EXPECTED IN PHNOM PENH SEPT. 5 AND ASSUME HE WILL ALSO VISIT VIENTIANE. SUGGEST MISSION OFFICER MEET WITH OTT TO DISCUSS ICRC ROLE IN POW RELEASES, AND MIA MATTERS GENERALLY. FYI, OTT MADE FIRST VISIT BY ICRC DELEGATE TO HANOI IN TWENTY YEARS AT END OF MAY, DURING  
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WHICH HE RAISED MIA QUESTION, TO NO EFFECT. HE MAY PLAN

ANOTHER HANOI VISIT ON THIS TRIP, IN WHICH CASE MISSION  
COULD UP-DATE HIM ON U.S. MIA'S.

3. FOR PHNOM PENH AND SAIGON: IF CONVENIENT, SUGGEST  
POSTS ALSO ARRANGE INFORMAL MEETINGS WITH OTT ON PW/MIA  
PROBLEMS DURING HIS CURRENT TRIP. INGERSOLL

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